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NLECTC Spotlight

Planning to Start a Tip Line? SchoolSafetyInfo.org Has Information You Need

On SchoolSafetyInfo.org, JTIC's school safety website, you can read "Tip Line Blueprint Offers Help to Schools" at https://www.schoolsafetyinfo.org/stories/Success4Tip-Line.html to learn about a new National Institute of Justice-funded publication that offers help with making the decisions surrounding implementing a tip line. While you're on the site, browse the other success stories, calendar of events and more.

Webinar Transcript: Graduate Research Fellowships in the Social and Behavioral Sciences

The National Institute of Justice hosted a webinar on Feb. 27, 2019 to provide interested fellowship candidates and academic institutions with an overview of its Graduate Research Fellowship Social and Behavioral Sciences opportunity. Review the webinar transcript and the presentation slides attached to the solicitation. Applications for this solicitation are due April 8, 2019. To review the transcript go to https://www.nij.gov/funding/documents/solicitations/nij-2019-15466.pdf.

Research and Evaluation on Policing: A Letter to the Researcher Community

The intent of this letter is to alert the research community that the National Institute of Justice anticipates up to $3 million will be available in fiscal year 2019 to fund selected research and to address key updates and requirements for this year's Research and Evaluation on Policing solicitation, available at https://www.nij.gov/funding/documents/solicitations/nij-2019-15543.pdf. To read the letter go to https://nij.gov/funding/Pages/fy19-dear-colleague-policing-researchers.aspx. With the letter, NIJ also wants to call attention to specific aspects of this solicitation, including practitioner partnerships, multidisciplinary research, randomized controlled trials and data archiving.

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Federal Funding Opportunities:

Federal Funding Webinars:

For a list of all NIJ funding opportunities, go to: https://www.nij.gov/funding/Pages/current.aspx

For a list of all OJP funding opportunities, go to: https://ojp.gov/funding/Explore/CurrentFundingOpportunities.htm

Graduate Research Fellowship Program in the Social and Behavioral Sciences. All applications are due by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on April 8, 2019.

Research and Development in Forensic Science for Criminal Justice Purposes, Fiscal Year 2019. All applications are due by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on April 11, 2019.

Research and Evaluation on Violence Against Women: Sexual Violence, Intimate Partner Violence, Stalking, and Teen Dating Violence. All applications are due by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on April 15, 2019.

Graduate Research Fellowship Program in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics. All applications are due by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on April 17, 2019.

Research and Evaluation on the Administration of Justice, Fiscal Year 2019. All applications are due by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on April 19, 2019.

Research and Evaluation on Domestic Terrorism Prevention, Fiscal Year 2019. All applications are due by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on April 22, 2019.

Research and Evaluation for the Testing and Interpretation of Physical Evidence in Publicly Funded Forensic Laboratories. All applications are due by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on April 29, 2019.

Research into Desistance from Crime, Fiscal Year 2019. All applications are due by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on April 29, 2019.

Research and Evaluation on Gangs and Gang Violence. All applications are due by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on April 29, 2019.

Investigator-Initiated Research and Evaluation on Firearm Violence. All applications are due by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on April 29, 2019.

Evaluation of Project Safe Neighborhoods. All applications are due by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on May 1, 2019.

Research and Evaluation on White-Collar Crime: Health Care and Elder Fraud. All applications are due by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on May 2, 2019.

Postconviction Testing of DNA Evidence, Fiscal Year 2019. All applications are due by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on May 6, 2019.

Research and Evaluation on Drugs and

Register for a funding webinar about the solicitation Artificial Intelligence Research and Development to Support Community Supervision on Thursday, March 28, 2019 at 3:00 PM ET.

Webinar Transcript: Graduate Research Fellowships in the Social and Behavioral Sciences

Crime. All applications are due by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on May 6, 2019.

Evaluation of Services for Victims of Crime. All applications are due by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on May 6, 2019.

Research and Evaluation on Policing, Fiscal Year 2019. All applications are due by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on May 7, 2019.

Research and Evaluation on Trafficking in Persons. All applications are due by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on May 8, 2019.

Artificial Intelligence Research and Development to Support Community Supervision. All applications are due by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on May 13, 2019.

Research and Evaluation on Promising Reentry Initiatives, Fiscal Year 2019. All applications are due by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on May 13, 2019.

FY 2019 DNA Capacity Enhancement for Backlog Reduction (CEBR) Program (Formula). All applications are due by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on May 13, 2019.

Tribal-Researcher Capacity Building Grants. All applications are due by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on May 13, 2019.

Measuring the Impact of Victim Services: Instrument Development. All applications are due by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on May 16, 2019.

Native Student Travel Scholarship Program: Connecting Science to Crime and Justice. All applications are due by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on May 17, 2019.

Research into Immigration and Crime. All applications are due by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on May 20, 2019.

National Juvenile Justice Data Analysis Program. All applications are due by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on May 20, 2019.

Research and Evaluation in Safety, Health, and Wellness in the Criminal Justice System. All applications are due by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on May 27, 2019.

Federal Funding Resources:

OJP Funding Resource Center: Find current opportunities, solicitation requirements, forms and worksheets, and post-award instructions to help as you apply for and manage OJP awards.

DOJ Program Plan: See summary details of the funding opportunities each DOJ grant-making component is expecting to release or has released in the current fiscal year.

DOJ Grants Financial Guide: Learn about the laws, rules and regulations that affect the financial and administrative management of an OJP award.

Criminal Justice Technology in the News

Law Enforcement News

Bulletproof Vest Saves Officer in Shootout Outside Bellagio in Las Vegas; Robbery Suspect Critically Wounded
Fox News, (03/16/2019), Louis Casiano
A Las Vegas police officer was saved by his bulletproof vest when he was wounded by a robbery suspect during a shootout outside the Bellagio casino. The suspect allegedly held up a cashier at gunpoint, then attempted a carjacking in the parking lot. He fired at responding officers, striking one in the chest; the suspect in turn was then wounded by return fire.
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911 Emergency Text Service to Be Available in Memphis and Shelby County
Memphis Commercial Appeal, (03/12/2019), Phillip Jackson
Text-to-911 service will be available in Memphis in the coming weeks. The Memphis police and fire dispatchers also will start accepting texts for the majority of the Shelby County area. People will be able to use up to 140 characters in a text message to 911 in an emergency.
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CMS Approves $95,000 Federal Grant for School Security
WCNC, (03/13/20190, Mark Boyle
The Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools Board of Education has approved a plan to bring more security to schools in the district. School leaders want to provide more services for mental health in schools; new school safety programs for students and staff; and possibly an added layer of security on campus.
Link to Article

Positive Change Seen Since Partnership Between Police & Behavioral Health Specialists
KEPR, (03/13/2019), Eliana Sheriff
A program partnering police officers and mental health specialists in Tri-Cities, Wash., is helping direct people with mental health issues to helpful resources. The goal of the mobile outreach team is to reduce recidivism rates. For example, sometimes people who are homeless or have chronic behavior issues sleep in parks and get in trouble for trespassing, and end up in jail repeatedly. The team follows up with people they help, including ensuring they're going to appointments.
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Cleburne Police Join New Countywide Dispatch System
Cleburne Times-Review, (03/13/2019), Matt Smith
The Cleburne Police Department has joined the countywide Computer-Aided Dispatch and Records Management System, which gives the department access to a shared dispatch and database technology system. Cleburne police believe the new system will improve data quality, bolster disaster recovery efforts and decrease redundancy.
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Research Review: The Effect of Body Armor on Saving Officers' Lives
PoliceOne, (03/11/2019), Catherine R. Counts
This article discusses a recent study in the *Journal of Occupational and Environmental Hygiene* that evaluated a decade of entries from the Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted database to determine the effect of body armor on the survival of gunshot wounds to the torso.
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Georgia District Launches ID Card, Crisis Alert Systems
Campus Security & Life Safety, (03/15/2019), Jessica Davis
Schools in Douglas County are introducing an access card system and crisis alert system to improve safety. The access card system requires students and staff to use ID badges to access specific areas. The crisis alert system gives every staff member on a campus a device that can be used to trigger an instant school-wide alert.
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Alerting First Responders to Loved Ones' Special Needs in Louisa
The Daily Progress, (03/16/2019)
The Louisa County Sheriff's Office is working with family members and firefighters, rescue squads and dispatchers to create an information base to help first responders interact better with individuals with special needs. The program will allow family members to provide information for the database, for example, about loved ones' triggers, as well as de-escalation techniques. In an emergency, the stored information can be relayed to

responders.
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Texas Senate Approves $100M in Funding for School Security
Campus Security & Life Safety, (03/15/2019), Jessica Davis
The Texas Senate has approved $100 million in one-time funding for school districts to install security upgrades. Improvements could include video monitors, metal detectors, vehicle barriers, security systems, shooter alarm systems, security fencing, bullet-resistant glass and door-locking systems.
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Corrections News

Director Says Job Re-Entry Program Credited With Inmate Population Drop, Recidivism Rate Decline
WIS, (03/15/2019), Sam Bleiweis
The director of the South Carolina Department of Corrections says a job re-entry program is one reason for a decline in the three-year recidivism rate from 23.4 percent in 2011 to 22.3 percent in fiscal year of 2015. SCDC Director Bryan Stirling also credits sentencing reform in 2010 for a drop in prison population.
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Pennsylvania Prisons Will Go Tobacco-Free as of July 1
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette, (03/18/2019)
All Pennsylvania Department of Corrections prisons will be tobacco-free as of July 1, according to a statement from the department. Barred will be products such as cigarettes, cigars, tobacco and tobacco substitutes, lighters, pipes, pipe cleaners, filters, rolling papers, roller aprons and rollers.
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Nebraska Prison Population Hits New High; 'I Hope It's an Anomaly,' Corrections Chief Says
Omaha World-Herald, (03/19/2019), Paul Hammel
As of March 18, Nebraska state prisons were holding 5,515 inmates, the most in state history. The prisons are at 163 percent of capacity. State Corrections Director Scott Frakes told the state legislature's Appropriations Committee that the number of inmates entering prisons far exceeds those leaving on parole or completing criminal sentences.
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Officials Break Ground on $150M Inmate Hospital in Joliet
Daily Southtown, (03/18/2019), Alicia Fabbre
Illinois Department of Corrections officials recently broke ground at the Joliet Treatment Center on a hospital that will serve inmates diagnosed as mentally ill. The $150 million facility will provide 250 beds to meet the most critical needs of the state's mentally ill inmates. The Joliet Treatment Center currently has about 100 inmates who are receiving mental health care. The hospital will provide the next level of care for the inmate population.
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Georgia Supreme Court Ruling Forces Removal of GPS Devices From Sex Offenders
The Augusta Chronicle, (03/16/2019), Jozsef Papp
Local sheriff's offices have removed electronic monitoring devices from sexually dangerous predators after a ruling by the Georgia Supreme Court. The court ruled March 4 that it is unconstitutional for sexually dangerous predators no longer in custody, on probation or on parole to have to wear and pay for a GPS monitoring device for the rest of their lives. Justices deemed the law violated the Fourth Amendment, which protects against unreasonable searches and seizures.
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Some Alternatives to Incarceration in Douglas County Jail Becoming 'Robust,' Leader Says
Lawrence Journal-World, (03/17/2019), Mackenzie Clark
Douglas County in Kansas has launched several programs in recent years to try to reduce the number of people in the county jail. Pretrial release, house arrest and behavioral health court are three of the key alternatives to incarceration.
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Erie County Prison Wants $95,000 Body Scanner
Erie Times-News, (03/14/2019), Madeleine O'Neill
Officials in Erie County, Pa., want to purchase a $95,000 walk-through full-body scanner

to more effectively search inmates entering the county prison. The scanner would allow prison staff to detect contraband such as drugs that may be hidden on a person's body or in a body cavity.
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Ministry of Justice Concludes Prison Biometrics Pilots
Computer Weekly, (03/07/2019), Angelica Mari
The UK Ministry of Justice has concluded trials of biometrics technology aimed at identifying visitors who may be trafficking drugs into prisons. The trials started in December 2018 and involved iris scanning and facial recognition software. The technology was tested in three jails.
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Upcoming Events

For additional information regarding Law Enforcement, Corrections and Courts events go to:
https://www.justnet.org/calendar/calendar.html

- **31st Annual Crimes Against Children Conference**, Dallas Children's Advocacy Center and the Dallas Police Department, August 12-15, 2019, Sheraton Hotel Dallas, Dallas, TX. For information go to: http://www.cacconference.org/ or contact: conference@dcac.org

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For additional information regarding School Safety events go to:
https://schoolsafetyinfo.org/news/news-index.html (calendar events listed on the right hand side of the page).

- **National Summit on School Safety**
  Safe and Sound Schools
  March 29-30, 2019
  Houston, Texas
  Registration at https://www.safeandsoundschools.org/national-summit-on-school-safety/ (fee)
- **L0363 Multi-Hazard Emergency Management for Higher Education**
  Federal Emergency Management Agency
  April 30, 2019 - May 2, 2019, Sweet Briar, Va.
  May 14-16, 2019, Bismarck, N.D.
  Free Information and Registration
- **National Association of School Resource Officers Conference**
  NASRO
  June 23-28, 2019
  Pigeon Forge, Tenn. Register at https://nasro.org/conference/
- **International Association of Campus Law Enforcement Administrators Conference**
  IACLEA
  June 25-28, 2019
  Vancouver, B.C., Canada Register at https://www.iaclea.org/annual-conference/
- **National Association of School Safety Law Enforcement Officials**
  NASSLEO
  July 1-3, 2019
  Orlando, Fla. Register at http://www.nassleo.org/conference50.php
- **Campus Safety Conference**
  Campus Safety Magazine
  West: June 17-19, 2019, Las Vegas
  Central: July 21-23, 2019, Dallas
  East: Aug. 6-8, 2019, Charlotte, N.C.
  Registration (fee) at https://campussafetyconference.com/about/register-now
- **2019 National School Safety Conference**
  School Safety Advocacy Council
  July 22-26, 2019
  Las Vegas, Nev. Register at http://www.schoolsafety911.org/event.html

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